

PARCEL POST PILES UP ALL OVER LAND

Thousands of Extra Clerks
Unable to Handle Rush of
Christmas Mail.

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service. None of the big officials found it necessary to be in the main office here today, so even were matters moving.

Great Increase at Atlanta.
ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 21.—Parcel post mail is ten times greater than before the Christmas rush, but neither the post office nor the extra clerks are being delayed. With the aid of sixty extra clerks and carriers, Postmaster Bolling Jones has avoided congestion. Approximately 4,000 parcel post packages were mailed here yesterday, but all had been delivered or sent to other cities by midnight. Thirty thousand parcels were received today, but it is expected the postoffice will be clear of the last piece of mail by midnight. The amount of mail will be heavier on Monday than on any preceding day, but no congestion is expected. Fifty per cent of the parcel post packages are being insured, first class mail is about normal for the Christmas season, but the volume of mail as a whole is by far the heaviest in the history of this postoffice. Altogether about forty tons of mail was received today. The parcel post packages on Monday are expected to number 50,000.

Congestion at Cincinnati.
CINCINNATI, Ohio, Dec. 21.—Postmaster E. B. Montfort today said the mail situation continues congested, though so far the situation could be designated as hopeful and under control.

In making a careful estimate of the amount of postal business Postmaster Montfort said: "While I cannot off-hand give you any exact figures in pounds and dollars and cents involved, I will say that the parcel post business is at least twice as heavy as last year at a similar date. There was as great an amount passing through parcel post last November as usual in December, and now parcel post business is at least twice as great as usual at a similar date."

"Several times recently advised early Christmas shopping and mailing, and I feel that the same has been of good results."

Detroit Up to Minute.
DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 21.—The Detroit postoffice was right up to the minute in handling both incoming and outgoing mail. Thus far there has been no congestion, though the parcel post is handling a tremendous amount of Christmas business. The only times there are mail sacks piled up in the postoffice are when the fifteen or twenty minutes following the delivery of wagonloads of incoming mail from the depots. And the only times there are sacks piled up at the depots are immediately after delivery of wagonloads from the postoffice. The pieces mailed at the main office are handled as fast as they come in.

Thus far only a few additional men have been put on to handle the holiday rush. The parcel post department is being kept open until midnight. This year Friday and will be until Wednesday. Today every piece of mail that came in was sent out. On the first delivery to the railway terminal Saturday morning there was only half a load to be sent down, so thoroughly had the work been cleaned up Friday night. Last year with less first class mail handled because the city was 40,000 population smaller and no parcel post, the congestion was such that bags were stacked up to the ceiling, untouched for three or four days.

Portland Is Satisfied.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 21.—The Portland postoffice is experiencing no congestion, and the problem of handling both incoming and outgoing mails is not a trying one. The first heavy parcel post mail from the East was received yesterday, but was cleaned up before midnight. Ideal weather conditions exist, making delivery and collection in the city easy. Not only are the deliveries being made promptly, but the mailing division is clearing up every night from 3:30 to 4:00 o'clock, averaging in weight seventy-five tons, are being sent out daily. The flood of mail expected from the East is just starting to arrive, but officials today declare that facilities are almost adequate to meet emergencies and that the parcel post mail will not be more than a day late. The parcel post is exceeding all expectations. "There is less congestion than at any previous Christmas for years."

Los Angeles "Clear."

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21.—A unique postal situation prevails here today. The Christmas parcel post rush is practically over before it has begun. Postmaster General Burdison's crusade for early mailing was effective here, and there is no congestion. As Los Angeles is the postal distributing center for southern California, the same condition is expected to prevail throughout this section of the State. Three hundred emergency clerks are handling the excess parcel post business. Other reserves are ready at a moment's notice, and all the outgoing Christmas mail was cleared today.

No Congestion at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 21.—Although the St. Louis postoffice is handling forty tons of parcels daily Postmaster Self today said that so far no congestion has resulted here, and that he expects to be able to clear practically all of the parcels up to Christmas Day. This will be possible he says only through permission of the Postoffice.

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OPIUM AND WINES FOR SUICIDES

BERLIN, Dec. 21.—The Berlin police are busy tracing the founders of many newly formed suicide clubs.

Weekly meetings are held. At each meeting several members volunteer to commit suicide.

Lots are drawn and the victim designated.

He has to kill himself in twenty-four hours.

To make him cheerful opium and wines are served and speeches are delivered on the uselessness of life.

Some women members backed out when the time came to kill themselves, and so the police were notified.

Department, to increase the regular parcel post force of clerks from seventy-five to 175.

San Francisco Ahead of Rush.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—By means of the establishment of an emergency parcel post depot and the hiring of forty-five additional clerks to handle the Christmas rush, the local postal authorities have kept ahead of the flood of packages and letters that have been pouring into the office since last Monday and at 10 o'clock this morning every piece of mail matter was cleared off the floor.

At no time since the Christmas rush began has there been any congestion. It was estimated today that the number of pieces handled Saturday was but little short of 100,000.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21.—Philadelphia's parcel post department is handling the great holiday business in splendid shape. With the large extra force of men at work and the excellent arrangement made in advance the department practically cleans up each day's business as it arrives.

More than 20,000 were for local delivery, and about 50,000 were out-bound packages. On the first trip the parcel post delivery automobiles carried more than 15,000 pieces.

Monday's mail is expected to be almost twice as large.

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WHITE SLAVE FILMS BARRED FROM CITY

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SAILOR IS NEARLY TICKLED TO DEATH

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—A man described by the Journal of the American Medical Association in its issue as "J. R. P.," a sailor on the United States battleship California, swallowed a feather and he escaped death by a small margin. The navy surgeon describes the case in a treatise on "unusual combinations which produce appendicitis."

Some months ago the sailor ate a piece of chicken that gave him a peculiar sensation as it passed from his mouth to his stomach. At the time it occurred to him that he might have swallowed a feather, because whatever he ate tickled him so that he couldn't resist laughing.

The tickling became more marked and finally it developed into acute pain. The sailor underwent an operation, and inside the appendix was found the feather.

They have permitted them to be shown. The film was to inaugurate the winter season of the Majestic Theater, and Manager Louis H. Baker was unable to say what his program would be for the remainder of the week. "I expect we will have to defer the opening until next week," he said.

WEATHER REPORT.
The forecast for the District of Columbia—Unsettled, probably rain to night; Monday cloudy and colder; light variable winds.
For Virginia—Cloudy, probably rain tonight; Monday fair and colder; light variable winds.

TEMPERATURES.
The temperature today as registered at the United States Weather Bureau and at the following places:
U. S. WEATHER BUREAU
8 a. m. 34 9 a. m. 41
10 a. m. 35 11 a. m. 42
12 noon 36 1 p. m. 43
2 p. m. 40 3 p. m. 44
4 p. m. 41 5 p. m. 45

TIDE TABLE.
High tide, 8:30 a. m. and 2:30 p. m.
Low tide, 8:30 a. m. and 2:14 p. m.
SUN TABLE.
Sun rises, 7:15; Sun sets, 4:14

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